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2. BEGIN SUGGESTED TEXT:

I WELCOME THIS OPORTUNITY TO OFFER HER
MAJESTY QUEEN JULIANA MY HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS
AND WARMEST GOOD WISHES ON THE SILVER ANNIVERSARY OF HER
SUCCESSION TO THE THRONE.

DURING THE QUARTER OF A CENTURY OF HER
MAJESTY' S REIGN, THE HISTORIC TIES WHICH HAVE TRADITIONALLY
UNITED THE PEOPLES OF THE NETHERLANDS AND THE UNITED
STATES HAVE BEEN STRENGTHENED AND EXPANDED. OUR
SUCCESSFUL PARTNERSHIP IN
WORLD WAR II WAS TRANSFORMED
INTO AN ENDURING ALLIANCE TO PRESERVE THE PEACE. THE
NORTH ATLANTIC ALLIANCE REMAINS THE CORNERSTONE OF
AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN SECURITY. THE YEARS OF HER
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MAJESTY' S REIGN HAVE SEEN WAR RAVAGED WESTERN EUROPE
ACHIEVE ECONOMIC UNITY, SOCIAL PROGRESS AND POLITICAL
COHESION UNDEAMT OF BY EVEN THE MOST VISIONARY
ADHERENTS OF THE EUROPEAN IDEAL. HAVING HAD SOME
SMALL SHARE IN THIS REVIVAL THROUGH OUR MARSHALL PLAN
ASSISTANCE, THE UNITED STATES TAKES PRIDE IN THESE
ACHIEVEMENTS. SHARING AS WE DO A COMMON HERITAGE, THE
UNITED STATES IS ALSO PROUD OF ITS CLOSE ASSOCIATION
WITH THE NEW EUROPE OF WHICH THE NETHERLANDS FORMS
SUCH AN IMPORTANT AND DYNAMIC PART.

I FIRST MET QUEEN JULIANA IN PARIS IN 1970.
HER MAJESTY' S WARMTH OF MANNER AND PROFOUND DEVOTION TO
THE WELFARE OF HER PEOPLE STRUCK ME MOST FORCEFULLY.
I RECALL HER MAJESTY' S STATE VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES
IN 1952 BEGIN BRACKETS WHEN I HEARD HER ADDRESS A JOINT
SESSION OF THE CONGRESS IN WHICH I THEN SAT AS SENATOR.
END BRACKETS. AT THAT TIME I NOTED HOW QUICKLY AND
FULLY THE HEARTS OF AMERICANS WENT OUT TO THE QUEEN
AND HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS, THE PRINCE OF THE NETHERLANDS.
THE SUBSEQUENT TWO DECADES HAVE ONLY ENHANCED THE
ESTEEM AND AFFECTION IN WHICH HER MAJESTY QUEEN
JULIANA AND THE PEOPLE OF THE NETHERLANDS ARE HELD NOT
ONLY BY MRS. NIXON AND I BUT BY OUR FELLOW CITIZENS
THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES. END SUGGESTED TEXT

3. GOVERNMENT INFORMATION OFFICE INFORMS US THAT
QUEEN AND PRESIDENT MET ONCE DURING POMPIDOU' S
RECEPTION FOR NOTABLES ATTENDING DE GAULLE FUNERAL.
QUEEN MADE STATE VISIT TO US IN 1952 AND ADDRESSED
JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS. AT THAT TIME PRESIDENT WAS
SENATOR FROM CALIFORNIA BUT WE HAVE NO WAY OF
VERIFYING HERE WHETHER PRESIDENT ACTUALLY PRESENT FOR QUEEN' S
ADDRESS. IF HE WAS NOT, BRACKETED PORTION MAY BE
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